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SUBJ: BREZHNEV SPEECH TO 11TH HSWP CONGRESS

1. HIGHLIGHT OF MARCH 18 SESSION OF HSWP 11TH CONGRESS
WAS SPEECH DELIVERED BY CPSU GENERAL SECRETARY BRESHNEV.
AS EXPECTED, SPEECH CONTAINED WARM AND EFFUSIVE PRAISE
FOR PRESENT STATE OF HUNGARIAN-SOVIET POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC
RELATIONS AND CONGRATULATIONS TO HSWP FOR 30 YEARS OF
"SOCIALIST TRANSFORMATION."

2. BREZHNEV SINGLED OUT HSWP FIRST SECRETARY KADAR FOR
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WARM PRAISE, TERMING HIM "AN OUTSTANDING LEADER OF

HUNGARIAN COMMUNISTS, A CONVINCED AND PRINCIPLED INTERNATIONALIST, WELL KNOWN AND LOVED IN SOVIET UNION AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST MOVEMENT." HE THEN CLAIMED THAT UNITY OF HUNGARIAN AND SOVIET PARTIES HAD ENABLED COMMUNISTS TO UPHOLD CORRECT MARXIST-LENINIST LINE AND HAD HELPED REBUFF "ATTEMPTS OF EXTREME RIGHTIST AND LEFTIST ELEMENTS TO DISTORT MARXISM-LENINISM."

3. ON SECTION DEALING WITH INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, BREZHNEV PAINTED OPTIMISTIC PICTURE OF INTERNATIONAL SCENE PARTICULARLY PRAISING "MUTUALLY ADVANTAGEOUS COOPERATION BETWEEN SOVIET UNION AND U.S." AS IMPORTANT FOR PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE. HIS REMARKS ON ME WERE UNOBTRUSIVE AND NON-POLEMICAL. HE CALLED FOR EARLY CONVENING OF GENEVA CONFERENCE AT HIGHEST LEVEL, REPEATED CALL FOR ASIAN COLLECTIVE SECURITY ARRANGEMENT, AND INDICATED ARMS AND FORCE REDUCTIONS HIGH ON USSR PRIORITY LIST. HE APPEARED MOST OPTIMISTIC IN HIS COMMENTS ON CSCE MATTERS. ON PORTION OF BREZHNEV'S REMARKS CARRIED OVER HUNGARIAN TELEVISION, THERE WAS NO MENTION OF CHINESE OR ATTACK ON MAOISM.

4. FROM HUNGARIAN VIEWPOINT, MOST IMPORTANT WAS BREZHNEV'S GRANTING SEAL OF APPROVAL TO KADAR. THIS IS REASSURING TO THOSE NERVOUS OVER RUMORS OF SOVIET UNHAPPINESS OVER HUNGARY'S "ROAD TO SOCIALISM." DURING ADDRESS BREZHNEV APPEARED SOMEWHAT BORED. HE SEEMED TO TIRE VERY EASILY, ALMOST COLLAPSING IN HIS CHAIR AT END OF ADDRESS. HE SPOKE UNANIMATEDLY AND WITH HARDLY A GESTURE. HIS REMARKS WERE RECEIVED BY DELEGATES WITH "AVID ATTENTION AND ENTHUSIASM" AS HSWP LEADERSHIP OBVIOUSLY WANTED TO IMPRESS BREZHNEV WITH THEIR IDEOLOGICAL COMMITMENT TO PROLETARIAN INTERNATIONALISM AND LEADING ROLE OF CPSU. ALTHOUGH BREZHNEV'S ARRIVAL CEREMONIES ON MARCH 16 APPEARED TO BE FAIRLY COOL AND CORRECT, KADAR AND PARTY OFFICIALS HAVE SINCE SUCCEEDED IN CREATING OPPOSITE IMPRESSION.

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